

PSITTACUS UNDULATUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum aduncum, mandibula superiore mobili,
cera instructa.

Nares in rostri basi.

Lingua carnosae, obtusa, integra.

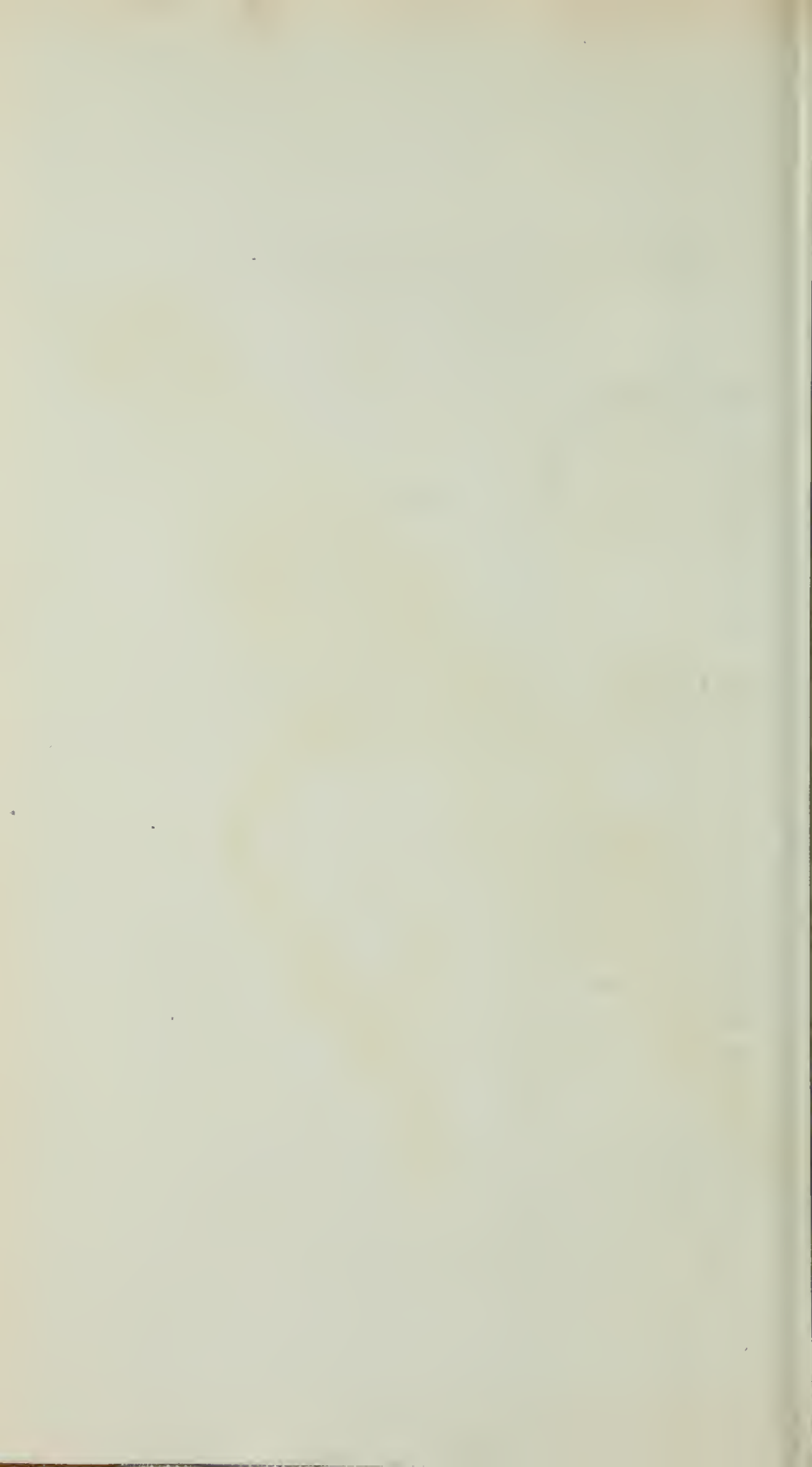
Pedes scansorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 139.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PSITTACUS macrourus viridis, supra fusco
undulatus, gula flavente cœruleo maculata,
rectricibus basi flavis.

Ostendit tabula perpulchram speciem psittacinam, Australasiæ incolam, quamque censeo non antea fuisse descriptam. Superiora avis a rostro nempe ad uropygium flavo-viridi-pallent, undulis plurimis fuscis et linearibus transverse decorata, gradatim majoribus prope humeros et imum dorsum. Fuscae sunt alarum pennae, marginibus olivaceo-subflavescentibus. Inferiora cum uropygio virent eleganter pallida. Gula flavo-pallens, maculis paucis cœruleis, lunulisque nigris, huc illuc utrinque conspersa. Cauda cuneata cyanea est, fascia flavissima per omnes pennas in obliquum ducta, exceptis duabus mediis, quae ceteras longitudine exsuperant. Rostrum pedesque fusca. Exprimatur in tabula vera avis magnitudo.





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THE
UNDULATED PARRAKEET.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill hooked : upper mandible moveable.

Nostrils round, placed in the base of the bill.

Tongue fleshy, broad, blunt at the end.

Legs short : feet scansorial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Long-tailed green PARRAKEET, undulated above with brown ; the throat yellowish, with blue spots, and the tail-feathers yellow at the base.

The highly elegant species of Parrakeet represented on the present plate in its natural size, is an inhabitant of New Holland, and seems to have been hitherto undescribed. The upper parts of the bird, from the bill to the rump, are of a pale yellowish green, beautifully crossed by numerous linear brown undulations, which become gradually larger as they approach the back and shoulders ; the wing-feathers are brown, with pale olive-yellow edges ; the under parts of the bird, together with the rump, are of an elegant pale green ; the throat pale yellow, mottled on each side with a few small deep blue scattered spots, accompanied by

small black crescents: the tail is of a cuneated form, and of a deep-blue colour, with a bright yellow bar running obliquely across all the feathers except the two middle ones, which considerably exceed the rest in length: the bill and legs are brown.